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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

D.P., by and through his Guardian Ad
Litem, VERA CONRAD,

Plaintiff,

vs.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, a
governmental entity; COUNTY OF
LOS ANGELES, a municipal entity;
JOHN SCOTT, an individual; and
JOHN ADDINGTON, an individual,

Defendants.

CASE NO.: 2:15-cv-02652-PJW

**[Assigned to: Hon. Patrick J. Walsh,
Court Room 23 -3rd Fl.]**

[Filed : 04/10/15]

**STIPULATED PROTECTIVE
ORDER**

TRIAL: 5/16/17
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1. A. PURPOSES AND LIMITATIONS

Discovery in this action is likely to involve production of confidential, proprietary, or private information for which special protection from public disclosure and from use for any purpose other than prosecuting this litigation may

1 be warranted. Accordingly, the parties hereby stipulate to and petition the Court to
2 enter the following Stipulated Protective Order. The parties acknowledge that this
3 Order does not confer blanket protections on all disclosures or responses to
4 discovery and that the protection it affords from public disclosure and use extends
5 only to the limited information or items that are entitled to confidential treatment
6 under the applicable legal principles. The parties further acknowledge, as set forth in
7 Section 12.3, below, that this Stipulated Protective Order does not entitle them to
8 file confidential information under seal; Civil Local Rule 79-5 sets forth the
9 procedures that must be followed and the standards that will be applied when a party
10 seeks permission from the court to file material under seal.

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12 B. GOOD CAUSE STATEMENT

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14 This action is likely to involve confidential information for which special
15 protection from public disclosure and from use for any purpose other than
16 prosecution of this action is warranted. Such confidential and proprietary materials
17 and information consist of, among other things, confidential records of a minor,
18 confidential personnel information, and proprietary information, information
19 potentially implicating privacy rights of third parties, information otherwise
20 generally unavailable to the public, or which may be privileged or otherwise
21 protected from disclosure under state or federal statutes, court rules, case decisions,
22 or common law. Accordingly, to expedite the flow of information, to facilitate the
23 prompt resolution of disputes over confidentiality of discovery materials, to
24 adequately protect information the parties are entitled to keep confidential, to ensure
25 that the parties are permitted reasonable necessary uses of such material in
26 preparation for and in the conduct of trial, to address their handling at the end of the
27 litigation, and serve the ends of justice, a protective order for such information is
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1 justified in this matter. It is the intent of the parties that information will not be
2 designated as confidential for tactical reasons and that nothing be so designated
3 without a good faith belief that it has been maintained in a confidential, non-public
4 manner, and there is good cause why it should not be part of the public record of this
5 case.

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7 **2. DEFINITIONS**

8 2.1 Action: [this pending federal law suit, *D.P., etc. v. Los Angeles*
9 *Sheriff's Department, et al.*].

10 2.2 Challenging Party: a Party or Non-Party that challenges the
11 designation of information or items under this Order.

12 2.3 “CONFIDENTIAL” Information or Items: information (regardless of
13 how it is generated, stored or maintained) or tangible things that qualify for
14 protection under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(c), and as specified above in
15 the Good Cause Statement.

16 2.4 Counsel: Outside Counsel of Record and House Counsel (as well as
17 their support staff).

18 2.5 Designating Party: a Party or Non-Party that designates information or
19 items that it produces in disclosures or in responses to discovery as
20 “CONFIDENTIAL.”

21 2.6 Disclosure or Discovery Material: all items or information, regardless
22 of the medium or manner in which it is generated, stored, or maintained (including,
23 among other things, testimony, transcripts, and tangible things), that are produced or
24 generated in disclosures or responses to discovery in this matter.

25 2.7 Expert: a person with specialized knowledge or experience in a matter
26 pertinent to the litigation who has been retained by a Party or its counsel to serve as
27 an expert witness or as a consultant in this Action.

1 2.8 House Counsel: attorneys who are employees of a party to this Action.
2 House Counsel does not include Outside Counsel of Record or any other outside
3 counsel.

4 2.9 Non-Party: any natural person, partnership, corporation, association, or
5 other legal entity not named as a Party to this action.

6 2.10 Outside Counsel of Record: attorneys who are not employees of a
7 party to this Action but are retained to represent or advise a party to this Action and
8 have appeared in this Action on behalf of that party or are affiliated with a law firm
9 which has appeared on behalf of that party, and includes support staff.

10 2.11 Party: any party to this Action, including all of its officers, directors,
11 employees, consultants, retained experts, and Outside Counsel of Record (and their
12 support staffs).

13 2.12 Producing Party: a Party or Non-Party that produces Disclosure or
14 Discovery Material in this Action.

15 2.13 Professional Vendors: persons or entities that provide litigation
16 support services (e.g., photocopying, videotaping, translating, preparing exhibits or
17 demonstrations, and organizing, storing, or retrieving data in any form or medium)
18 and their employees and subcontractors.

19 2.14 Protected Material: any Disclosure or Discovery Material that is
20 designated as "CONFIDENTIAL."

21 2.15 Receiving Party: a Party that receives Disclosure or Discovery
22 Material from a Producing Party.

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24 3. SCOPE

25 The protections conferred by this Stipulation and Order cover not only
26 Protected Material (as defined above), but also (1) any information copied or
27 extracted from Protected Material; (2) all copies, excerpts, summaries, or
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1 compilations of Protected Material; and (3) any testimony, conversations, or
2 presentations by Parties or their Counsel that might reveal Protected Material.
3 Any use of Protected Material at trial shall be governed by the orders of the trial
4 judge. This Order does not govern the use of Protected Material at trial.

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6 4. DURATION

7 Even after final disposition of this litigation, the confidentiality obligations
8 imposed by this Order shall remain in effect until a Designating Party agrees
9 otherwise in writing or a court order otherwise directs. Final disposition shall be
10 deemed to be the later of (1) dismissal of all claims and defenses in this Action, with
11 or without prejudice; and (2) final judgment herein after the completion and
12 exhaustion of all appeals, rehearings, remands, trials, or reviews of this Action,
13 including the time limits for filing any motions or applications for extension of time
14 pursuant to applicable law.

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16 5. DESIGNATING PROTECTED MATERIAL

17 5.1 Exercise of Restraint and Care in Designating Material for Protection.

18 Each Party or Non-Party that designates information or items for protection under
19 this Order must take care to limit any such designation to specific material that
20 qualifies under the appropriate standards. The Designating Party must designate for
21 protection only those parts of material, documents, items, or oral or written
22 communications that qualify so that other portions of the material, documents,
23 items, or communications for which protection is not warranted are not swept
24 unjustifiably within the ambit of this Order.

25 Mass, indiscriminate, or routinized designations are prohibited. Designations
26 that are shown to be clearly unjustified or that have been made for an improper
27 purpose (e.g., to unnecessarily encumber the case development process or to impose
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unnecessary expenses and burdens on other parties) may expose the Designating Party to sanctions.

If it comes to a Designating Party's attention that information or items that it designated for protection do not qualify for protection, that Designating Party must promptly notify all other Parties that it is withdrawing the inapplicable designation.

5.2 Manner and Timing of Designations. Except as otherwise provided in this Order (see, e.g., second paragraph of section 5.2(a) below), or as otherwise stipulated or ordered, Disclosure or Discovery Material that qualifies for protection under this Order must be clearly so designated before the material is disclosed or produced.

Designation in conformity with this Order requires:

(a) for information in documentary form (e.g., paper or electronic documents, but excluding transcripts of depositions or other pretrial or trial proceedings), that the Producing Party affix at a minimum, the legend "CONFIDENTIAL" (hereinafter "CONFIDENTIAL legend"), to each page that contains protected material. If only a portion or portions of the material on a page qualifies for protection, the Producing Party also must clearly identify the protected portion(s) (e.g., by making appropriate markings in the margins).

A Party or Non-Party that makes original documents available for inspection need not designate them for protection until after the inspecting Party has indicated which documents it would like copied and produced. During the inspection and before the designation, all of the material made available for inspection shall be deemed "CONFIDENTIAL." After the inspecting Party has identified the documents it wants copied and produced, the Producing Party must determine which documents, or portions thereof, qualify for protection under this Order. Then, before producing the specified documents, the Producing Party must affix the "CONFIDENTIAL legend" to each page that contains Protected Material. If only a

1 portion or portions of the material on a page qualifies for protection, the Producing
 2 Party also must clearly identify the protected portion(s) (e.g., by making appropriate
 3 markings in the margins).

4 (b) for testimony given in depositions that the Designating Party identify
 5 the Disclosure or Discovery Material on the record, before the close of the
 6 deposition all protected testimony.

7 (c) for information produced in some form other than documentary and
 8 for any other tangible items, that the Producing Party affix in a prominent place on
 9 the exterior of the container or containers in which the information is stored the
 10 legend "CONFIDENTIAL." If only a portion or portions of the information warrant
 11 protection, the Producing Party, to the extent practicable, shall identify the protected
 12 portion(s).

13 5.3 Inadvertent Failures to Designate. If timely corrected, an inadvertent
 14 failure to designate qualified information or items does not, standing alone, waive
 15 the Designating Party's right to secure protection under this Order for such material.
 16 Upon timely correction of a designation, the Receiving Party must make reasonable
 17 efforts to assure that the material is treated in accordance with the provisions of this
 18 Order.

19 20 6. CHALLENGING CONFIDENTIALITY DESIGNATIONS

21 6.1 Timing of Challenges. Any Party or Non-Party may challenge a
 22 designation of confidentiality at any time that is consistent with the Court's
 23 Scheduling Order.

24 6.2 Meet and Confer. The Challenging Party shall initiate the dispute
 25 resolution process under Local Rule 37.1 et seq.

26 6.3 The burden of persuasion in any such challenge proceeding shall be on
 27 the Designating Party. Frivolous challenges, and those made for an improper
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purpose (e.g., to harass or impose unnecessary expenses and burdens on other parties) may expose the Challenging Party to sanctions. Unless the Designating Party has waived or withdrawn the confidentiality designation, all parties shall continue to afford the material in question the level of protection to which it is entitled under the Producing Party's designation until the Court rules on the challenge.

7. ACCESS TO AND USE OF PROTECTED MATERIAL

7.1 Basic Principles. A Receiving Party may use Protected Material that is disclosed or produced by another Party or by a Non-Party in connection with this Action only for prosecuting, defending, or attempting to settle this Action. Such Protected Material may be disclosed only to the categories of persons and under the conditions described in this Order. When the Action has been terminated, a Receiving Party must comply with the provisions of section 13 below (FINAL DISPOSITION).

Protected Material must be stored and maintained by a Receiving Party at a location and in a secure manner that ensures that access is limited to the persons authorized under this Order.

7.2 Disclosure of "CONFIDENTIAL" Information or Items. Unless otherwise ordered by the court or permitted in writing by the Designating Party, a Receiving Party may disclose any information or item designated "CONFIDENTIAL" only to:

(a) the Receiving Party's Outside Counsel of Record in this Action, as well as employees of said Outside Counsel of Record to whom it is reasonably necessary to disclose the information for this Action;

(b) the officers, directors, and employees (including House Counsel) of the Receiving Party to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary for this Action;

1 (c) Experts (as defined in this Order) of the Receiving Party to whom
2 disclosure is reasonably necessary for this Action and who have signed the
3 “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A);
4 (d) the court and its personnel;
5 (e) court reporters and their staff;
6 (f) professional jury or trial consultants, mock jurors, and Professional
7 Vendors to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary for this Action and who have
8 signed the “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A);
9 (g) the author or recipient of a document containing the information or a
10 custodian or other person who otherwise possessed or knew the information;
11 (h) during their depositions, witnesses, and attorneys for witnesses, in the
12 Action to whom disclosure is reasonably necessary-provided. Deponents will not be
13 permitted to keep any confidential information unless they sign the
14 “Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound” (Exhibit A), unless otherwise
15 agreed by the Designating Party or ordered by the court. Pages of transcribed
16 deposition testimony or exhibits to depositions that reveal Protected Material may
17 be separately bound by the court reporter and may not be disclosed to anyone except
18 as permitted under this Stipulated Protective Order; and
19 (i) any mediator or settlement officer, and their supporting personnel,
20 mutually agreed upon by any of the parties engaged in settlement discussions.

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22 8. PROTECTED MATERIAL SUBPOENAED OR ORDERED
23 PRODUCED IN OTHER LITIGATION

24 If a Party is served with a subpoena or a court order issued in other litigation that
25 compels disclosure of any information or items designated in this Action as
26 “CONFIDENTIAL,” that Party must:
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1 (a) promptly notify in writing the Designating Party. Such notification
2 shall include a copy of the subpoena or court order;

3 (b) promptly notify in writing the party who caused the subpoena or order
4 to issue in the other litigation that some or all of the material covered by the
5 subpoena or order is subject to this Protective Order. Such notification shall include
6 a copy of this Stipulated Protective Order; and

7 (c) cooperate with respect to all reasonable procedures sought to be
8 pursued by the Designating Party whose Protected Material may be affected.

9 If the Designating Party timely seeks a protective order, the Party served with
10 the subpoena or court order shall not produce any information designated in this
11 action as "CONFIDENTIAL" before a determination by the court from which the
12 subpoena or order issued, unless the Party has obtained the Designating Party's
13 permission. The Designating Party shall bear the burden and expense of seeking
14 protection in that court of its confidential material and nothing in these provisions
15 should be construed as authorizing or encouraging a Receiving Party in this Action
16 to disobey a lawful directive from another court.

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18 9. A NON-PARTY'S PROTECTED MATERIAL SOUGHT TO BE
19 PRODUCED IN THIS LITIGATION

20 (a) The terms of this Order are applicable to information produced by a
21 Non-Party in this Action and designated as "CONFIDENTIAL." Such information
22 produced by Non-Parties in connection with this litigation is protected by the
23 remedies and relief provided by this Order. Nothing in these provisions should be
24 construed as prohibiting a Non-Party from seeking additional protections.

25 (b) In the event that a Party is required, by a valid discovery request, to
26 produce a Non-Party's confidential information in its possession, and the Party is
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1 subject to an agreement with the Non-Party not to produce the Non-Party's
2 confidential information, then the Party shall:

3 (1) promptly notify in writing the Requesting Party and the Non-Party
4 that some or all of the information requested is subject to a confidentiality
5 agreement with a Non-Party;

6 (2) promptly provide the Non-Party with a copy of the Stipulated
7 Protective Order in this Action, the relevant discovery request(s), and a reasonably
8 specific description of the information requested; and

9 (3) make the information requested available for inspection by the
10 Non-Party, if requested.

11 (c) If the Non-Party fails to seek a protective order from this court within
12 14 days of receiving the notice and accompanying information, the Receiving Party
13 may produce the Non-Party's confidential information responsive to the discovery
14 request. If the Non-Party timely seeks a protective order, the Receiving Party shall
15 not produce any information in its possession or control that is subject to the
16 confidentiality agreement with the Non-Party before a determination by the court.
17 Absent a court order to the contrary, the Non-Party shall bear the burden and
18 expense of seeking protection in this court of its Protected Material.

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20 10. UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE OF PROTECTED MATERIAL

21 If a Receiving Party learns that, by inadvertence or otherwise, it has disclosed
22 Protected Material to any person or in any circumstance not authorized under this
23 Stipulated Protective Order, the Receiving Party must immediately (a) notify in
24 writing the Designating Party of the unauthorized disclosures, (b) use its best efforts
25 to retrieve all unauthorized copies of the Protected Material, (c) inform the person or
26 persons to whom unauthorized disclosures were made of all the terms of this Order,

1 and (d) request such person or persons to execute the “Acknowledgment and
2 Agreement to Be Bound” that is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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4 **11. INADVERTENT PRODUCTION OF PRIVILEGED OR OTHERWISE**
5 **PROTECTED MATERIAL**

6 When a Producing Party gives notice to Receiving Parties that certain
7 inadvertently produced material is subject to a claim of privilege or other protection,
8 the obligations of the Receiving Parties are those set forth in Federal Rule of Civil
9 Procedure 26(b)(5)(B). This provision is not intended to modify whatever procedure
10 may be established in an e-discovery order that provides for production without
11 prior privilege review. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Evidence 502(d) and (e), insofar
12 as the parties reach an agreement on the effect of disclosure of a communication or
13 information covered by the attorney-client privilege or work product protection, the
14 parties may incorporate their agreement in the stipulated protective order submitted
15 to the court.

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17 **12. MISCELLANEOUS**

18 12.1 Right to Further Relief. Nothing in this Order abridges the right of any
19 person to seek its modification by the Court in the future.

20 12.2 Right to Assert Other Objections. By stipulating to the entry of this
21 Protective Order no Party waives any right it otherwise would have to object to
22 disclosing or producing any information or item on any ground not addressed in this
23 Stipulated Protective Order. Similarly, no Party waives any right to object on any
24 ground to use in evidence of any of the material covered by this Protective Order.

25 12.3 Filing Protected Material. A Party that seeks to file under seal any
26 Protected Material must comply with Civil Local Rule 79-5. Protected Material may
27 only be filed under seal pursuant to a court order authorizing the sealing of the
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1 specific Protected Material at issue. If a Party's request to file Protected Material
2 under seal is denied by the court, then the Receiving Party may file the information
3 in the public record unless otherwise instructed by the court.

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5 13. FINAL DISPOSITION

6 After the final disposition of this Action, as defined in paragraph 4, within 60
7 days of a written request by the Designating Party, each Receiving Party must return
8 all Protected Material to the Producing Party or destroy such material. As used in
9 this subdivision, "all Protected Material" includes all copies, abstracts, compilations,
10 summaries, and any other format reproducing or capturing any of the Protected
11 Material. Whether the Protected Material is returned or destroyed, the Receiving
12 Party must submit a written certification to the Producing Party (and, if not the same
13 person or entity, to the Designating Party) by the 60 day deadline that (1) identifies
14 (by category, where appropriate) all the Protected Material that was returned or
15 destroyed and (2) affirms that the Receiving Party has not retained any copies,
16 abstracts, compilations, summaries or any other format reproducing or capturing any
17 of the Protected Material. Notwithstanding this provision, Counsel are entitled to
18 retain an archival copy of all pleadings, motion papers, trial, deposition, and hearing
19 transcripts, legal memoranda, correspondence, deposition and trial exhibits, expert
20 reports, attorney work product, and consultant and expert work product, even if such
21 materials contain Protected Material. Any such archival copies that contain or
22 constitute Protected Material remain subject to this Protective Order as set forth in
23 Section 4 (DURATION).

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25 14. Any violation of this Order may be punished by any and all appropriate
26 measures including, without limitation, contempt proceedings and/or monetary
27 sanctions.

1 IT IS SO STIPULATED, THROUGH COUNSEL OF RECORD.

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3 DATED October 5, 2016

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5 /s/ Gregory Peacock
6 Attorneys for Plaintiff

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8 DATED October 5, 2016

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10 /s/ Valorie Ferrouillet
11 Attorneys for Defendant

12 FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN, IT IS SO ORDERED.

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14 DATED October 11, 2016

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17 Hon. Patrick J. Walsh
18 United States Magistrate Judge

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EXHIBIT A

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND

I, _____ [print or type full name], of
_____ [print or type full address], declare under penalty of perjury
that I have read in its entirety and understand the Stipulated Protective Order that
was issued by the United States District Court for the Central District of California
on [date] in the case of [insert formal name of the case and the number and
initials assigned to it by the court]. I agree to comply with and to be bound by all the
terms of this Stipulated Protective Order and I understand and acknowledge that
failure to so comply could expose me to sanctions and punishment in the nature of
contempt. I solemnly promise that I will not disclose in any manner any information
or item that is subject to this Stipulated Protective Order to any person or entity
except in strict compliance with the provisions of this Order.

I further agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the United States District Court
for the Central District of California for the purpose of enforcing the terms of
this Stipulated Protective Order, even if such enforcement proceedings occur after
termination of this action. I hereby appoint _____ [print or type full name] of
_____ [print or type full address and telephone number] as my
California agent for service of process in connection with this action or any
proceedings related to enforcement of this Stipulated Protective Order.

Date:

City and State where sworn and signed:

Printed name:

Signature: _____